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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Shinji UCHIDA

Application No.: 10/693,104

Filed: October 27, 2003

For: POSITIONING APPARATUS AND  
CHARGED-PARTICLE-BEAM EXPOSURE  
APPARATUS

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: Examiner: D. D. Le  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: